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AIDS Task Force Raises Awareness

By Stephanie Samples

On September 10, 2006 the AIDS Task Force of Northeast Indiana raised awareness by organizing a 5K walk. Local people joined together to walk to raise awareness and provide information.

Prior to the walk there were health tents that provided information about testing, also there was a tent that was used to show a photo gallery of people who have suffered from HIV/AIDS.

There was also a memory quilt in tribute to those who are deceased, their families and friends put the quilts together to honor them.

There was entertainment before the walk for the walkers and volunteers.

The Anderson Swing Choir performed and the group Jacob's Well who formed in Fort Wayne and are now Nashville recording artists performed. To keep children entertained there was face painting and a bake sale.

All proceeds went to the AIDS Task Force, which provides money for sex education, and helps those who are suffering from AIDS and HIV.

As the walk was about to begin there was a presentation of the Colors, to honor those who lost their



Photo by Nic Pyle

Volunteers walked on Sunday to support the AIDS Task Force to raise money.

lives on September 11, 2001.

Tom Didier sang the National Anthem. Charles R Miller, who is the team coordinator for the Community AIDS Action Team (C.A.A.T.), thanked the people

for coming out reminding everyone that it takes both money and awareness to help the cause.

Pam and Tiffany Rosh who are mother and daughter have been involved with C.A.A.T. for the past

thirteen years. Her dance teacher was diagnosed with pneumonia, and he all of the sudden died. "We found out he had AIDS. We never knew," said Pam. Pam spoke of

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Improve Your Health in Eight Weeks

By Allison Graber
Chief Reporter

The IPFW Health and Wellness Clinic is set to begin its Eight Weeks to Wellness program on Sept. 18. Participants will meet for eight Mondays in Kettler 132 to learn how to practice a healthy lifestyle.

Kicking off its first year at IPFW, the programs focus is not only on physical health but on mental and social health as well.

Participants will receive a guide that will allow them to track their health's progress during program and serve as a reference for the future.

Eight Weeks to Wellness is open to any member of the IPFW community.

The program is being held from noon to 1 p.m. on Mondays starting Sept. 18 and ending on Nov. 6. Kelly Stophar, a Parkview wellness coach, will discuss ways to be healthy and practical meth-

ods to apply what is learned.

Measurements of blood pressure, weight, and body mass index will be recorded at the beginning and end of the eight weeks in order to assess the participants' progress.

Judy Tillapaugh, director of wellness and fitness at IPFW, is excited about the program. "People can personalize the information they get and apply it directly to their own well-being," she said. She also explained that the desired

outcome of Eight Weeks to Wellness is for people to become proactive with their health.

Registration for the Eight Weeks to Wellness program is on Sept. 14 in Kettler G88 from noon to 1 p.m. The cost for the program is \$80.00, half of which will be reimbursed to participants who attend seven of the eight classes.

The Health and Wellness Clinic can be contacted by calling 481-5748.

IPFW To Host Walk for a Brighter Tomorrow

By Laura Dumas

Kids will be encouraged to sign up for the "Let's Just Play" Heart Healthy Challenge and will also be treated to a healthy snack provided by Parkview Hospital.

Stacie Holley, executive director of the Fort Wayne metropolitan region of AHA said, "We estimate over 1,000 people walking, and we raise on average over \$150,000 per year. This year, our financial goal is to raise \$200,000. The Heart Walk, first held in 1994, has raised nearly \$600 million since its inception. Research funded by the American Heart Association has led to pivotal discoveries such as CPR, innovative surgical techniques such as bypass surgery, medicines, and pacemakers. Although the event is free to the public, participants are encouraged to collect donations.

"It's important for all of us to participate in the Heart Walk and do our part to help save lives," said Mike Packnett, CEO of Parkview Health System, the presenting sponsor of the 2006 Walk.

Heart disease is the nation's number one cause of death, with

strokes ranking third. In total, cardiovascular issues kill over 910,000 Americans per year, and cost the country an estimated \$403 billion annually.

Deb Neunswander, a part-time IPFW professor with CASA, was personally touched by heart disease when she suffered a stroke three years ago.

"I decided the stroke was not going to define me," she said, "I've been fighting it ever since."

Neunswander had planned to participate in last year's walk when a week before the event, her husband Ted, who teaches with her at IPFW, suffered a heart attack. After his bypass surgery and changes in both of their eating and exercise habits, the couple is on the road to recovery.

Neunswander's health problems, combined with the fact that they have lost three out of four parents to heart disease, have motivated them to get involved with the Heart Walk. As captain of team IPFW, Neunswander estimates that 12 to 15 students have

already signed up to participate in this year's event.

"We're not expecting huge amounts of money, but it's about awareness," she said.

Neunswander says she feels that more college students should start taking responsibility for their health and lifestyle. She also says she believes that had she put more focus on being healthy when she was younger, she might not have had a stroke.

"Students all probably know someone affected by heart disease, and at this point in their life, it's time to start caring about their own health. I was busy and didn't eat right or exercise when I was their age," Neunswander said. "I've heard a quote somewhere: Heredity loads the gun, but lifestyle pulls the trigger."

For more information on participating in the Heart Walk, Fort Wayne residents can contact the American Heart Association at 260-627-5412 or register online at <http://heartwalk.kintera.org/ft-wayne>.

Scholarships Honor 9/11/01 Victims

By Carly Dachis
Indiana Daily

(U-WIRE) BLOOMINGTON, Ind. - Five years later, some might find it difficult to look at the clock at 8:45 a.m. and not think about what happened on Sept. 11 only a half-decade ago.

For 2005 Indiana University graduate Rachel Jacobson, it's not just Sept. 11 that it's difficult to cope with the death of her father.

"It's not so black and white," Jacobson said. "It's a hard time of year for everyone, and I want to remember the good things. I want to treat it as a celebration of his life and not a remembrance of how he died."

In 2002, Jacobson did just that by helping establish the IU Student Foundation's 9/11 Scholar-

ship Fund.

The fund finances three memorial scholarships each year, and this year's applications will come out in early October.

Jenny Bruffey, director of IUSF, said the fund began because three IU students lost their fathers at the World Trade Center, and so many other IU students were affected.

A lot of our scholarships are established by alumni, but this one is just different because of how tragic it was," Bruffey said.

IUSF began fund raising for the scholarships in 2001 by donating proceeds from Little 500 races and asking for alumni support. According to a 2002 press release, in addition to the \$49,616.42 IUSF raised, Lawrence D. Glaubinger, a 1949 IU graduate who lived in New York City at the time of the attacks, matched what IUSF raised.

Following Glaubinger's gift, other Indiana and East Coast residents responded to the news of the scholarship and donated an additional \$7,000 to the fund.

IUSF then met with the three students and their families in order to establish the criteria for the three scholarships to be awarded each year in memory of each of the students' fathers who died in the attacks.

Each family had the opportunity to select the criteria based on what aspects were most important to them.

"I know that when I was contemplating the criteria, the most important thing was that it reflected my father's beliefs and values," Jacobson said. "I was so lucky that I got to play an active role in the scholarship decision for as long as I did."

Bruffey said each scholarship is a little different, and some of the specific criteria include financial need, a 2.7 or higher grade point average, involvement in student or community activities and an essay about the importance of family.

"I'm really touched that people took such a deep interest and care in making such a positive thing from something so negative," Jacobson said.

IUSF Student President Elliott Chapman is especially proud of this scholarship because it differs from the other awards available to students.

"It's a really meaningful way to give away money and help students at the same time," Chapman said. "It makes it more special, and it serves to remind people what happened that day and keep that in our minds."

Chapman said IUSF gives approximately \$80,000 in scholarships a year and has given more than a million dollars total since the organization was founded in 1950.

Applications for this year's 9/11 scholarships come out in early October and will be awarded at the IUSF scholarship banquet, to be scheduled for late November.

Jacobson said it's still difficult to cope on a daily basis and not just on the anniversary of her father's death, but she maintains a positive outlook and her own memorial.

"He will remain with me in all my endeavors, wherever I go in life," she said. "I will never truly lose him because he is a part of me."

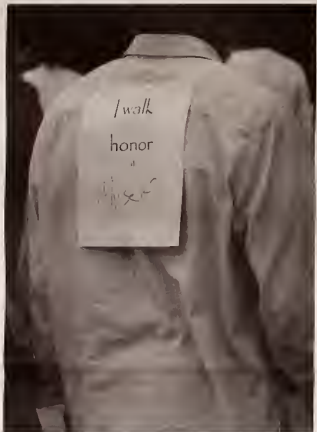


Photo by Nic Pyle
An AIDS walk participant shares his connection to the disease.

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her daughter's former dance teacher and how his suffering brought the disease to their attention and they have been trying to help every since. Employee of the AIDS task force Jennie Arter began her involvement as a volunteer. I started volunteering in 1993; I have been working for them for the past five years. I got involved when two of my friends and a brother in law died of AIDS said Arter. Jennie Arter was just one of the many who were inspired to join after

seeing a loved one suffer.

As everyone began to walk a list of names were read for those who have died in North-east Indiana of HIV or AIDS. The last names of the deceased were not read only their last initial. This was done to keep the information private for families. The walk was 5 K, but the walk for those who are suffering, or know someone who is, will last much longer.

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Transfer Students Speak on Matriculation

Positive Experience Leaves Impression

By Heather Etzler

Last year, I transferred to IPFW from Toledo. I think it would be wrong to say transferring schools was easy considering that I left my friends from Toledo behind. I had to make new friends, and I had to get used to the different environment. Although all of those factors were pretty overwhelming, I was fortunate to want to come to IPFW, which made the transition easier.

I think one of the main things I learned from

transferring was that life in your new home is going to be different than your old home. That sounds like a no-brainer, but so many times people think that where they were during one point of their lives is how it will be later; that was a concept I had to get past.

I definitely still had a hard time moving because I hate change; however, I think moving to Fort Wayne was worth it. For me, going from a bigger college to a smaller college was definitely different. In Toledo, I walked everywhere and there were a lot of who I would label "city people." IPFW is more of what I wanted out of a college. I do

not think this campus is small, but it is obviously not huge. I personally like IPFW because I am closer to home and I think I am getting a better education as a result of smaller class sizes. I think the hardest thing about transferring was getting used to the new surroundings and making new friends. I think people sometimes underestimate just how exhausting moving can be. You have to look for a new place to live, get used to your surroundings, pack, unpack, memorize your new address, etc. The fear of whether I made the right decision to transfer, as well as the fear of my new college was stressful at first. That too went away once I got used to everything. I thought making new friends was going

to be hard, but it did not take me long to find people that shared common interests. Thanks to facebook.com, I am also still able to stay in contact with my other friends.

Now that I look back at my experience, the advice I have for people thinking about transferring is to simply make sure it is what you want. If you decide that transferring is what you want, remember that things are going to be different. That does not mean the transition will be bad. Lastly, remember that moving is a chance to make new friends and if you approach the move with a good attitude, you will find friends easily.

Chain of Advisors Fall Through

By Arman Amiri

I had a new state, a new city, a new town, and if that was not enough to deal with and adapt to, a new university. Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne offered the advantages of both Indiana and Purdue University on a smaller scale. Who would not like a chance to become a part of this community?

Now, for graduating high school seniors, many routines are in place to enable them to incorporate into this system flawlessly. They have specific days to come in and tour the school, learn their new environment, and be advised as to what classes they may want to take and what career paths may be right for them. Specific classes are held so they can more conveniently register for classes without fear of them being filled. Coupons, gifts, and speeches await them as they slip into this new lifestyle.

And then, there is the transfer student. The transfer student is much more accustomed to college life. In my case, I was transferring from a university that had 34,000 students. It was located in the middle of a big city and I knew many of the professors and students. However, I had to make the trip to attend IPFW. I had finished most of my degree requirements and was ready to graduate in one year. I sent in my transcripts from both a small community college and a large university, along with my application and application fee. I heard back quickly and was accepted.

I planned my fourteen-hour move to Fort Wayne, Indiana. On Sunday, May 14, I arrived at my new home and got ready for my first class, which started the next morning at 9 a.m. By that Wednesday, I began utilizing the university's online applications to check on my transfer credits. I noticed that many of my credits had been placed in categories that would not fit my degree and I now faced two or more years till graduation. Slightly in shock, I contacted someone from admissions and discussed the situation with them. I was told to see my advisor for this problem. I went to my advisor, who was somewhat confused as to who should handle this problem. I left there with more questions than when I had arrived.

The following morning, dedicated to resolving this issue, I went and spoke with someone in my department. I was again sent out, being told I should speak with someone in the office that was in charge of this and other majors combined. I ended up at the department for the arts and sciences. Feeling like the department was high in the food chain, I thought meeting here would have a great impact on my problem. I spoke with a lady there who emailed someone and made a copy of the information regarding my problem. I felt like things were coming together at this point. I was then sent away and told that the problems of my transfer would be solved.

I continued with my summer class for about two weeks until I noticed that nothing had changed. Somewhat angered and worried (because without my transfers I was unable to register for any classes), I went straight to the head of the arts and sciences department. He was very upset that my issue had reached him unresolved and explained how it should have been handled by

the faculty. Next, he emailed another advisor in my department and asked him to review and re-categorize my previous courses. I left with a new calm and a sense of accomplishment. Two weeks later, to my horror, nothing had been accomplished and the person who had helped me the most had retired. So, I again contacted the closest person to the now retired department head that I could find. She called and spoke with someone in my major who said they would finish the process for me. By this time, I had already taken a second summer course and was trying to register for the fall. If it had not been for Mr. Hicks, who went to great efforts to override me into courses which I could not register for myself, I would not have any schedule at all this semester. However, because it was so close to the new semester, all classes were full and I was stuck with what I could get.

After I started the fall semester, the changes to my transfer credits were finalized. Now that I was not at all confident in the university's abilities to handle my transfer, I went to my advisor for a second time. I was not surprised by the meeting at all, but realized how much my old university appreciated its students. My advisor there had a file on all of his students and had a plan of graduation already worked out. If you had a problem, the advisors would pursue the answer and help you feel at ease. With all this trouble, it came to no surprise when I heard that not many students transferred into IPFW from other universities but plenty transferred out.

Campus Opinions

By Said El-Dajani



How do you feel about a football team at IPFW?



"That would be great. Attendance would be an issue. Advertising would have to be a big deal."

-----Adam Friend,
Senior



"I think we would have a pretty solid fan base. I think it would be a good occasion for everybody to get together"

-----Lucas Smith,
Freshman



"I think we should have one. It would draw more people to IPFW."

-----Melissa Haynie,
Freshman



"I'm all for it, but I think we'd be an embarrassment for at least 10 years. A lot of money is involved, so tuition would probably go up."

-----Brock Ulrich,
Junior



"I think it would be a good thing because it would bring people here."

-----Whitney Funnell,
Junior

Facebook's Facelift too Drastic

By Said EL-Dajani:
Said Said Something



Said EL-Dajani is a junior Graphic Design major and writes "Said Said Something" for The Communicator. His views do not necessarily agree with those of the newspaper.

Unhappy with its current appearance, Facebook.com decided to take an American cultural phenomenon known as plastic surgery to the World Wide Web. And, like many Michael Jackson operations gone awry, this layout has caused a sensation across the nation...and Suzi W. Givensnap wrote on Bull Chit's wall at 12:30 a.m.

Like Atari in the 1970s...this was revolutionary.

So, I had this whole column written out - ready to just a cap into Facebook - when I log on and find...the apology letter. In psychology, it's called the fundamental attribution error. I attributed the 'news feed' stupidity as an attempt to destroy the credibility of this country.

The thing I enjoyed about Facebook was that you couldn't just necessarily look at someone else's page from another school. You just had to live with the mystery of who they were from the picture that represented their profile. The option of poking, which I honestly loved, was fun...and still is. Or you could leave a message while adding them as a friend. I liked my options, the restrictions, and the respect you

could have for the site. At a time, it truly connected college students, allowing them to see what they wanted to see and when they wanted to see it.

Facebook is evolving, maybe a little too fast. It was conservative. The information available depended on how much effort you put into it. If you really wanted to know something about a person, stalking would actually be an effort. Maybe that's what the Facebook people wanted: to speed up the process. I looked at the 'news feed' as irrational, irresponsible, and cheesy. But the reality is that people are abusing this Internet movement and are using the site mainly for play, which doesn't make sense as to why people are disgusted by the 'news feed.'

Clearly, people are not happy.

You look on Facebook and you will find countless groups dedicated to the destruction of the new layout/news feed. And as the responsible creator of the site, Mark Zuckerberg, apologized and emphasized his intention for Facebook.

From a sociological standpoint, I don't know if Mark anticipated how college students would react to such a free flowing network. But I have a bad long term feeling about this project, which is constantly changing. I think our generation is too smart to accept media the way that it is portrayed. As a result, the future for the upcoming youth seems dim. This news feed may not be acceptable to us, but represents an uncontrolled want for growth and change with unexpected, detrimental results.

Tips for Saving Money

By Heather Etzler

If you are anything like me, you are slowly learning that money - no once had is dwindling away. Suddenly you are using all that pocket change to try to pay for your \$9.99 cheeseburger and sometimes you still come up short! "I'M SO BROKE!" you exclaim to the world (or at least your best friend).

Here are some ideas for you to consider, and they may help save you money:

Try carpooling with a friend or two. Think of the money you could save if you took turns riding to school with someone. Sure, you might have to wait until they get out of class before you can go home, but you will save a lot of money every month.

Pack your lunches. So many students are probably so class hungry when they would rather be eating lunch and so what do we do? We grab something from the vending machine. Do you realize that if you spend \$2 everyday for lunch JUST on campus and you come to school five times a week, you will

be spending \$44 per month! That is a lot when you could just pack your lunch.

Keep a log of how much money you spend. If you are completely baffled by the fact that you never have money, try writing down everything you buy in a two-week period. This will help you see what all you are spending your money on. Also, remember to watch your spending. Seriously, do you really need 500 shirts? Rethink how much money you spend on your outfits, especially if you do not have the money.

If you have a job, make a decision to automatically-

ly make yourself put so much in your savings account each week - and do it! Over time, you will be surprised at the money you have built up, even by putting in \$20 per week (that is \$1040 a year) or every other week (that is \$520 a year).

Take advantage of free stuff by looking around campus. Technically, you paid a fee for stuff provided on campus, so if there is free pizza or items, stand in line and get some!

Reality TV All About the Money

By Tiffany Dirig

Reality television is not a new phenomenon. However, I find it to be one of the most annoying. Most of us in the MTV Generation assume that reality TV got its start with the wildly popular show "The Real World". Well, I'm here to tell you that it didn't. It actually got its humble beginnings in the late 1940s with Allen Funt's "Candid Camera". So, for over 60 years, we've been bombarded with crappy entertainment.

I'm not going to lie. When I get around MTV and any one of their asinine shows are on - especially "The Real World" - I can't stop watching. It's like a train wreck. I have to watch. I have to know exactly what's going on in Sweden's life and why everyone hates her. (I told you I have to watch). Or who's "nexting" whom. Or who's raising whose room. It's nuts. I can lose whole days because of reality TV. That's ridiculous. Whole days!!!

Why is reality TV so addicting? Are there subliminal messages that keep us hooked? I mean, were Taylor Hicks and Katharine McPhee really worth 36 million

people's time? I don't think so. Because of my lack of enthusiasm, their numbers weren't 36,000,001. Ha, take that FOX!! ('Course I did watch every episode of Season 1; but that will be our little secret!)

I really don't understand the concept of reality TV. What's so great about it? We all know that reality TV is not really real. It's just a bunch of hooties running around starting drama, ending drama, sleeping with everyone, drinking and partying - unless, of course, you were as ensconced in PBS's "Colonial House" as I was. (Don't laugh; it was interesting... and I don't have cable). But, even PBS's attempt to be hip had its fair share of sex-related drama.

We can't turn the television on without being slapped in the face with other people's drama. I don't about you, but I have got enough of my own. I really don't want to be involved in anyone else's. I actually feel stressed out after being visually assaulted by the newest knock-down-drag-out on "Flavor of Love".

Now, before you think this is one big whining session, I'll be the first to say that not all reality TV is worthless. "True Life" has educated several of my friends and I about everything from being a porn star

to being a Muay Thai Fighter to being a competitive eater. But, for every one constructive show, there are 10 shows that shouldn't have ever made it into our living rooms.

"The Swan" is the perfect example of a show that, from the moment I heard the concept, left the sour taste of bile in my mouth. FOX's program focused on taking regular-which, in the land of shows that means ugly-woman and had them undergo extreme plastic surgery. Then, as if that's not bad enough, they are forced to endure a pageant!!! A friggin' beauty pageant that will tell the no-longer-ugly women that they're still not pretty enough to win. Just thinking about that show makes me mad (I can't say what I'm really thinking - there's too many expletives).

The reality TV industry boils down to one simple fact: money. Everyone's in the business of making money and as much of it as they possibly can. To do so, we're willing to relinquish our pride and dignity at any cost. And this is the principle that we're teaching our kids. It's a sad state of affairs in the world today.

Online Communities Provide A Home Away From Home

By Said EL-Dajani

Over the last decade or so, information has become accessible beyond our wildest dreams. The ability to log on to cyber space to communicate, shop around, or just kill time has brought our world a little closer together. Two mega-sites that dominate the Internet are their network are facebook.com and myspace.com.

While they are both enormous entities that provide information and communication, their layouts are completely different, as is the intention behind the sites. I would like to discuss what each site has to offer, and how you, as the reader, who may or may not be part of this network, can see what each may have for you.

I personally got involved with facebook.com two years ago in October, when the phenomenal movement swept across my campus like wildfire. Even before I joined the site, which is accessible with a university e-mail address (I believe some high schools are also a part of the network), groups were already established, and my

friends down the hall had already produced their page. It was an attractive bandwagon to join. I really believe that it still is.

You can create groups on Facebook, which allows one to personalize a page dedicated to an activity, an event, a community, or even Steve Irwin - the options there are unlimited. Facebook also gives people the chance to find new friends, lost friends, girlfriends and Facebook friends within a structured demographic setting. 90 percent of Facebook's visitors are college students.

Facebook also allows members to create photo albums. Instead of having picture parties like in the early 1990s, we can now download our pictures straight from our digital cameras onto Facebook and organize them as we choose. This has revolutionized Kodak founder George Eastman's view on photography that everyone can be a picture taker. Needless to say, the majority of pictures on Facebook are of embarrassing drunk moments - not much of an art to it.

On the other hand, Myspace is a place for everyone who can han-

dle Facebook times ten. Myspace allows people to use coding to personalize and customize their pages. The site strongly reinforces the idea of change in dependence, and personality. If you are an artist seeking exposure, posting your work would be an excellent way to advertise. If you are a musician, movie maker, or stripper, Myspace, allows you to market yourself while building a network of people. You find people on Myspace looking for opportunity or love. Since there are no boundaries preventing people from joining, Myspace is a little more susceptible to creepy people.

While these two sites may seem a little too liberal, they truly define the age of information in which we live. Whether you are looking for a relationship, building a business, or expressing the artist within, Facebook and Myspace are mediums with growing capabilities that can complement your lifestyle. Better to join now than later, because catching up is a lot harder than keeping up.

Longing for Healthy Food Choices

By Jenna Tompkins

The age old question, "What is there to eat?" has definitely made its way to the IPFW campus.

When students have a break between classes or want to get a bite to eat while they are on campus, they have three not so health-conscious choices and one decent alternative.

Those three high-calorie choices are Taco Bell, Pizza Hut, and the vending machines. Granted, one could probably pick something semi-healthy from all of them, but the chances are likely that one would rather opt for the pepperoni pizza, the Taco Bell supreme, or a bag of Doritos. Unfortunately, these choices are aiding the destruction of the human body.

In continuation of the poor food offerings on campus, the free food we are offered as a bribe to join a group or to at-

tend an event is not generally up to healthy standards. Usually, it is (again) pizza. More groups should try offering cheese, fruit, or vegetables.

Subway, a fairly healthy choice, still isn't topping my list of places to eat every time I am on campus. I like variety. Besides, if you don't order the daily special, then Subway can be a bit on the pricey side.

So, how could IPFW appease those cheap health-conscious college students? Perhaps IPFW could delete the option of Taco Bell and Pizza Hut and add a cafeteria that provides a variety of selections from comfort food to salads and wraps.

The student body is likely to appreciate the choices offered to them and will probably utilize this option more so than the grease soaked pizzas at Pizza Hut.



Features

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Knowledge Inspires Support for a Free Tibet

Students for a Free Tibet enlightens public and pushes for freedom from China's rule

By Allison Graber
Chief Reporter

On one night in 1959, a man, distinct from other men in his country, fled his home in the cover of darkness, fearing for his life. He has since ruled his country from in exile.

Tenzin Gyatso, the 14th Dalai Lama of Tibet, has been advocating a return to Tibetan independence, out from under Chinese rule, ever since.

Students for a Free Tibet is a student group sympathetic to the Dalai Lama's cause. With a chapter at IPFW, SFT seeks to work in partnership with the Tibetan people to regain rule over their country.

There are over 650 chapters of the organization in 30 countries worldwide.

Sara Conrad, IPFW's SFT chapter coordinator, oversees the half dozen current members and says SFT wants to inform the public of the history and current situation in Tibet.

"We believe if you know what's going on in Tibet, you will want to do something about it..." Conrad said.

Conrad ascribes her interest in Tibet to taking an Asian folklore class. She read about the history and was shocked she did not know more about it.

In 1950, China invaded Tibet, taking half the country by force. 40,000 troops remained to keep the country secure.

By 1959, demonstrations erupted and thousands were dead by the hands of the Chinese government. Tibet is still under Chinese authority, while the Dalai Lama and the Tibetan government remain in exile in India.

Hilary Edwards, the organization's regional coordinator for the midwest, sees SFT as a way for students to use their power of free speech to promote change.

SFT organizes workshops and conferences across the country as well as movie nights and lectures on the IPFW campus.

With a focus on the 2008 Olympics being held in Beijing, SFT hopes to bring attention to Tibet by boycotting the games.

"The Olympics are supposed to be an event where people come throughout the world peacefully. It really doesn't seem that China has earned the right to do that when they don't respect their own people," Edwards said.

People all over the world, including students at IPFW, are still addressing the plight of the man fleeing in the darkness over 60 years ago.

Meetings for SFT are held at IPFW twice a month. Information about students for a Free Tibet can be found at www.studentsforafreetibet.org. Questions regarding SFT at IPFW can be answered by writing to sft@ipfw.



Photo by Nic Pyle
Bradley Thachuk, Associate Conductor, leads the band.

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Photo by Nic Pyle
The audience listens to the Fort Wayne Philharmonic at IPFW.

Concert of Psychedelic Classics Thrills Audience

By Louisa Danielson

How do you make a classic? Is it a formula – something predestined for greatness? Or is it a good adaptation of something else?

Both of these schools of thought likely apply. However, it was the 'borrowing' idea that had the Fort Wayne Philharmonic rocking behind Walb Student Union on the evening of Thursday, Sept. 8.

The orchestra, led by associate conductor Bradley Thachuk, played everything from Route 66 to the first movement of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony. The orchestra also added in was a little Hendrix, Prokofiev, and Weill, with a touch of Ravel at the end.

Did pop stars like Barry Manilow rip musical ideas from

classical composers such as Rachmaninov? A short clip of Manilow's "Never Going to Fall in Love Again" played before the orchestra performed the third movement of Rachmaninov's Symphony No. 2 in E minor.

There were distinct similarities in the melodies and motives – even down to the slightly wistful, distant sound of the instruments.

"I loved it," said Suzy Buchs, a music student at IPFW. "I was raised on that song – I didn't know it was based on Rachmaninov!"

Parallels were also drawn

from the Russian album by Sting. This album was based on the "Lieutenant Kije Suite Romance" by Prokofiev.

Host David Todoran

gave the Sing preview, singing, "Romance," as performed by the orchestra, was full of that particular Russian sound that only Prokofiev could conjure.

In a direct reversal of classical music going rock, the Fort Wayne Phil-

harmonic's string quintet played "Purple Haze" by Jimi Hendrix.

The tie-die shirts and pants added a certain ambience to the rendition.

"Why did 70s pop artists use classical music themes in their work? They couldn't think of anything new," Thachuk said.

At times, the most recognizable element in music is repetition. Thachuk highlighted this point with The Beatles' "Hey Jude" which Todoran, Thachuk, and vocalist Tony Didier performed in trio, with Todoran and Thachuk on guitar.

The concert closed with Ravel's "Bolero." The audience instantly connected with the theme of repetition as the slow, measured beat of "Bolero" gradually engulfed the orchestra and erupted in a mass of tapping fingers and toes in the audience.

Hispanos Unidos Teaches Culture and Leadership



By Kira Schow

Are you looking for opportunities to experience Hispanic culture, sample Hispanic cuisine, and take part in leadership activities? If so, Hispanos Unidos may be just the campus organization for you.

"Hispanos Unidos presents a culture and informs people who would otherwise believe that Hispanic culture is similar to that which is shown on TV and in movies, of the true culture," Cesar Ruiz, president of Hispanos Unidos said.

Hispanos Unidos, which is open to members of all ages and ethnic backgrounds, puts on a number of events on campus and also in the community.

Noche de Gala, which will feature dancing, music, and free food, is set to take place on Sept. 22. Another event is Latin in Flavors.

"This event is more cheerful and outgoing because it is in the spring. There will be dancing, music, performers and also free food,"

Ruiz said.

There are currently 12 members in Hispanos Unidos and they all donate to the community in some way or another.

"We talk to high school students about IPFW and we also go to Hispanic Leadership conferences," Ruiz said.

The organization also helps students understand Spanish or English by interacting and speaking with them.

"We help build confidence, time management, and better leadership skills," Ruiz said.

Hispanos Unidos meets every Thursday at noon in Walb 221, where they plan kinship activities and leadership opportunities.

"Learning different cultures will help you when trying to find a job because employers don't want people who are closed minded," Ruiz said. "They want people who relate to others outside of their cultures. I just want everyone to come and see what we're about."

Organization Helps Overscheduled Students Cope

By Shannon Buonocore

Being a college student can be very stressful at times, especially when you have to balance many things in life.

Balancing your schoolwork, your job, and really just finding time for yourself can be a difficult task to overcome. However, if your time is managed well, life could be a lot less stressful for you and the people around you.

First, make sure that you are not putting your schoolwork off until the very last moment. According to USA Today nearly half of college students are working more than twenty-five hours a week.

Working a job can and does affect how students perform in college. Is it worth working in these hours?

63% of the students polled in the USA Today study said, "Without working they could not afford college."

Even though many college students work these long hours, there needs to be some kind of schedule set aside for your schoolwork.

To help with planning, IPFW offers their students the student handbook planner.

By simply writing down what you have to do in the future, your life will become more organized.

Working so many hours each week cuts into how much time you can spend studying, but there are always options.

All that you have to do is simply organize these parts of your life.

Organizing is a great way to get things done and also helps avoid stress, which can cause even more problems.

If you are required to work, it is going to be difficult to find a large amount of time to dedicate to your schoolwork, but by being organized, you will find that you can overcome these obstacles.



Hollywoodland Disappointing Waste of Time

By Tiffany Dirig

Overall Rating ★★

Preentious film-making is a commonplace occurrence in showbiz.

These are films that are made just so the actors may hear themselves speak... and so they can make a quick million—or fifteen, whatever.

"Hollywoodland" is no different. Starring Adrian Brody, Ben Affleck, and Diane Lane, this film depicts the adult life and apparent suicide of George Reeves—television's Superman.

Apparently, period murder capers are the "film du jour" this season. Too bad, this one was terrible.

The movie starts at a crime scene on June 16, 1959. The decedent is Reeves (Affleck). And it's an open-and-shut suicide case; at least according to the LAPD. Enter down-and-out private investigator, Louis Simo (Brody). He's hired by Reeves' mother to further investigate his death.

Simo goes digging through Reeves' last year or so and finds some titillating information.

Mr. Reeves had an illicit affair with the wife—Toni Mannix (Lane)—of MGM studio executive, Eddie Mannix (played by Bob Hoskins).

Basically, to make an insanely long story super short, at the end of the film, we're left with three possible reasons for Superman's departure: suicide, murder Eddie Mannix-style, or murder a la Reeves' fiancée, Lenore Lemmon (Robin

Tunney). I could've told you that before we walked into the theatre.

This flick was an utter waste of time and money. I didn't expect too much from Affleck.

He's fallen from grace in my eyes ever since the atrocity that was "Daredevil". Granted, his Reeves was not the most awful performance I've ever seen in my entire life; but I wouldn't kill a puppy to see it again, either.

As for Brody, well, I would prefer to listen to him rather than seeing a

exhausting. I've heard Oscar rumors run amuck for Mrs. Brodin, but I can't see from whence they come.

The whole film was a jumbled mess: from opening to closing credits.

In truth, it bored me senseless.

My legs were jumping. I kept re-arranging in my seat. I huffed and puffed and checked my watch every five seconds.

By the way, the stupid thing sucked two hours and twelve minutes from my life that I will never be able to recover. Thanks a friggin' lot!

I've been told that my brutal honesty when it comes to my reviews isn't always welcomed. But after being forced to watch sinkers like "Hollywoodland", my patience is running low at best. Make something of substance and I'll quit being nasty, bitter, and cynical.

I hope "The Black Dahlia"—next week's film—doesn't disappoint. I'm tired of feeling that twinge of regret when going to the movies.

'Make something of substance and I'll quit being nasty, bitter, and cynical.'

larger-than-life version of him on screen.

I hate to even admit that I'm that superficial... but I am. He's not the worst actor around, but he's also not the most enticing to watch.

Lane's performance shocked me the most, though.

I'm a huge fan of hers. I was thirteen when I first saw her playing Robin Williams' mother in "Jack".

Ever since then, I've enjoyed her movies—even the sappy "Must Love Dogs".

This, however, was like she was channeling a cracked-out, melodramatic, manic episode of "Ozzie and Harriet". It was

Campus Calendar



for Sept. 14-20, 2006

14 S.O.L.D.: WU 114-116, noon-1:30 p.m. For information, call 16283.

Nutritious Cooking Workshop: "Heart Healthy Eating: Small Additions = Big Reductions," WU 222-224, noon-1 p.m. For information, call 16647.

15 Hispanic Heritage Month Event: Panel discussion, "What is a Latino/Hispanic?" WU 114-116, 11 a.m. For information, call 16608.

Ambassador Training: SB 176, 2-4 p.m. For information, call 16609.

Concert: Faculty recital featuring Farrell Verson, saxophone. First Wayne Street United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m. Free admission for IPFW students. For information, call 1674.

16 PRAXIS: CMLobby, 7:30 a.m. For information, call 16595.

American Heart Association Heart Walk: GC, 9 a.m. For information, visit <http://heartwalk.kimere.org/tbwayne>.

Athletic Event: Women's Soccer vs. Illinois State, 4 p.m. For information, call 16643.

18 Neff Rocks!: "Making the Most of College" special event for freshmen of all majors housed in Neff Hall, NF 101, 11:50 a.m.-1:15 p.m. Free pizza, guest speaker, resource fair. For more information, call 16448.

ETCS Colloquium Series: "The Reduced-Fill Tank Pressure Control Experiment: Zero gravity aboard the space shuttle," Jihad Albiyyari, KT 246, noon-1:15 p.m. For information, call 16639.

Spanish Table: WU Cafeteria, noon. Look for the table with Hispanic flags. For information, contact confortin@ipfw.edu.

Write Away Workshop: "What's Your Point? Creating a focused thesis," KT G29, noon. For information, call 16028.

Student Organization President and Treasurer Training: WU 114-116, 2-3 p.m. For information, call 16609.

Eating Disorder Support Group: WU 234, 6:30-8:30 p.m. For information, call 16647.

Panel Discussion: "Should Internet Searches be Subject to Government Searches?" Helms Library, 2nd floor, 7 p.m. For information, call 16691.

19 Student Organization President and ACCS Workshop: "Lost Without a Major," WU G08, noon-1 p.m. For information, call 16595.

Panel Discussion: "Immigration and Naturalization," Helms Library, 2nd floor, 7 p.m. Presented by Mike Downs Center for Indiana Politics and IPFW Constitutional Educational Programming. For information, call 16691.

20 ACCS Workshop: "Math Anxiety," WU Ballroom, noon-1 p.m. For information, call 16695.

ASAP! Student Discussion Series: WU Ballroom, noon. For information, call 16608.

Study Abroad Information Session: SB 176, noon-1 p.m. For information, call 16494.

Student Organization President and Treasurer Training: WU 114-116, 2-3 p.m. For information, call 16609.

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Sports

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Don's Trampled by Eastern Illinois

Ladies

Swing into Place at BSU

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IPFW women's golf started their fall season at the 2006 Cardinal Classic hosted by Ball State. The ladies finished the two round tournament in 17th place.

Eastern Michigan took the title with a two round score of 607. The Mastodons had a team score of 668.

Alison Rathsmann led IPFW, tied for 67th with a final of 166. Jacques Speece and Rachel Parks were tied for 72nd just one stroke behind Rathsmann with a 167.

Ashley Smith from Grand Valley State took medalist honors with a 145. Becky Hoffman from Ferris State was runner-up with a 148. The Mastodons will head to Western Illinois for the WIU Autumn Invitational in Macomb, Illinois on September 17-18.



Photo by Brenda Jones
Freshman Mitchell Halfey

Press release courtesy of
IPFW Athletics Department

Fort Wayne, IN-- The scoreboard could have read, Brad Peters 3-IPFW 1. Eastern Illinois' sophomore forward found the back of the net three times in the Panthers' win over IPFW, Friday night at the Hefner Soccer Complex.

Both teams played to a scoreless tie in the first half.

Peters got his first goal of the match at the 56:12 mark

as he chipped a shot over the head of IPFW keeper Josh Howell, into the upper right hand corner of the net.

The Mastodons (0-5-0) tied the match in the 75th minute as freshman midfielder Josh Sommer got the ball ahead to fellow freshman Chris Moreno in the crease.

Moreno headed it past

Panthers' keeper Mark Hansen. The IPFW goal was shorthanded because the 'Dons were forced to play

the final 22 minutes a man down. Peters got the game winner for Eastern Illinois (4-1-0) at the 82:28 mark. He gathered a turnover in front and had Howell at his mercy.

Peters finished off the scoring in the final minute of play, converting a pass from freshman forward Evan Philpott, from about 18 yards out.

Hansen made two saves to get the win. Howell turned back 11 shots in the loss.

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Photo by Brenda Jones
Goalie Joshua Howell in full swing against Eastern Illinois

UWGB Blasts Dons

Press release courtesy of
IPFW Athletics
Department

Green Bay, WI- Senior forward Joshua Okaampa scored four times and, sophomore midfielder To-saint Ricketts added two goals and an assist, as UW-Green Bay blasted IPFW, 9-2 on Monday afternoon.

The Phoenix (4-2-0) put the match out of reach early, tallying three in the first 16 minutes.

Leading 3-0, Okaampa got the first of his four scores at the 37:26 mark beating IPFW goal keeper Josh Howell to the left side.

Okaampa made it 5-0 in the 40th minute, when he converted his own rebound from about 10 yards out.

The Mastodons (0-6-0) cut the Phoenix lead in the early stages of the second half.

Freshman midfielder Josh Sommer blasted a shot, from about 25-yards out, that found the upper left hand corner of the net. Junior forward Chas Parry got the assist on Sommer's goal.

Then, in the 51st minute, Parry took a pass from senior midfielder Evan Speece, beat UWGB keeper Josh Loyd to the ball, and punched it home.

That is as close as IPFW would get as Ricketts and Okaampa finished off the scoring with a pair of goals each.

The Mastodons begin conference play this Sunday. IPFW will travel to Akron to take on the 12th ranked Zips at 1pm.

Lynn Chosen As USC Defender of the Week



Photo by Brenda Jones
Defender of the Week: Senior Shannon Lynn

Press release courtesy of
IPFW Athletics
Department

IPFW senior goal keeper Shannon Lynn has been named the Defensive Player of the Week in the United Soccer Conference, in voting conducted by USC sports information directors.

Lynn (Brampton, Ontario, Canada) had an outstanding week between the pipes for the Mastodons. For the week, Lynn was 2-0 with two shutouts. She backstopped IPFW to wins over the New Jersey Institute of Technology (6-0) and Utah Valley State (2-0).

Lynn also assisted on a goal in IPFW's win over Utah Valley State.

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Photo by Brenda Jones
Junior Ty Lambert gets ready to bat at the Fall Ball season preview Saturday.

Faculty Senate in Favor of Mid-Con Membership

Press release courtesy of
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The IPFW Faculty Senate has voted to approve the university's invitation to become a member of the Mid-Continent Conference.

This vote paves the way for the Mastodons to join the Mid-Con and begin play in the fall of 2007.

"The Department of Athletics is honored to receive such an overwhelming vote of approval from the Faculty

Senate today," IPFW Director of Athletics Mark Pope said. "Mid-Continent Conference affiliation brings so many benefits to our department, our university, and our community. We will now begin to develop the strategy which will allow our Student-Athletes to succeed both academically and athletically in our new conference home."

IPFW will join North Dakota State and South Dakota State as new members on July 1, 2007.

Dral Roberts, Dakland University, IUPUI, UMKC, Southern Utah, Centenary College, and Western Illinois are current members

who will compete in 2007-08. Valparaiso is leaving the Mid-Con after this year to become a member of the Horizon League.

Lady's Cross Country Dashes through Crusader Invite

Press release courtesy of
IPFW Athletics
Department

Valparaiso, IN - The IPFW women's cross country team placed third out of seven teams in the Valparaiso Crusader Invitational, beating out Western Michigan, UW-Milwaukee, UW-Green Bay, and St. Joseph's College.

Leading IPFW was senior Ashley Ritchey (Leo, IN/Leo) who finished fourth overall with a time of 14:49. Fresh-

man Mary Ballinger (Chesterton, IN/Chesterton) ran the 4K in 15:06, coming in eighth.

The 'Dons will travel to Terre Haute, IN on Friday, September 15 to run in the Indiana Intercollegiate meet.

Men's Cross Country Picks Up the Pace

Press release courtesy of
IPFW Athletics
Department

Valparaiso, IN - Last Friday, the IPFW men's cross country team competed at the Valparaiso University Crusader Invitational 6K placing fifth overall.

Notre Dame took top team honors. The 'Dons finished with 125 points, a vast improvement over their opener in Dayton where they finished with 209.

Hunter Paris (Fort Wayne, IN/Carroll) led the 'Dons for the second week in a row, coming in 11th with a time of 19:43. Mike Ridenour

(Fort Wayne, IN/Northrop) and Wes Kuhn (Fort Wayne, IN/Leo) finished close behind with times of 20:26 and 20:46, respectively.

Coach Fruchey commented, "This was a much better performance by the men than last week's Dayton Meet. I think that next week's 8K distance will really favor our men and improve their placing."

The men's cross country team will be traveling to Terre Haute, IN on Friday, September 15 to compete in the Indiana Intercollegiate meet.

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